DECISION MEMORANDUM

TO: COMMISSIONER ANDERSON

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FROM: CHRIS BURDIN

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATE: AUGUST 9, 2022

SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF THE FIXED COST ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM

(FCA) ANNUAL RATE ADJUSTMENT FILING OF AVISTA

CORPORATION; CASE NO. AVU-G-22-04.

On July 29, 2022, Avista Corporation ("Company" or "Avista") applied to the Commission for authorization for an adjustment to its Fixed Cost Adjustment ("FCA") rates for natural gas service from November 1, 2022, through October 30, 2023. The FCA rate for the Residential Group (Schedules 101) is proposed to change from a present rebate rate of 0.493¢ to a proposed rebate rate of 1.020¢ per therm. The FCA rate for the Non-Residential Group (Schedules 111 and 112) is proposed to change from a present rebate rate of 0.490¢ to a proposed surcharge of 0.381¢ per therm. The Residential Group rate change represents a \$0.3 million, or 0.5%, decrease to Schedule 101 customers, and the Non-Residential group rate change represents a \$0.1 million, or 1.2% increase. The Company requests that the adjustment have a November 1, 2022 effective date and that the Commission process the request under Modified Procedure.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Commission issue a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure establishing a public comment deadline of October 4, 2022, and a Company reply deadline of October 11, 2022.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to issue a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure establishing a public comment deadline of October 4, 2022, and a Company reply deadline of October 11, 2022?

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Deputy Attorney General

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